Cloud Security "Assumption Busters"

CSA initiatives for payoffs and protection

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The "big rocks" of cloud security assumptions *...Take care of the big rocks first ...*

1 I must yield to the "genesis syndrome" and start my cloud security journey from scratch

- *"No one really understands my cloud security needs!"*

2 I can never know all the security claims and capabilities and compliance status for all the cloud service offerings available to me
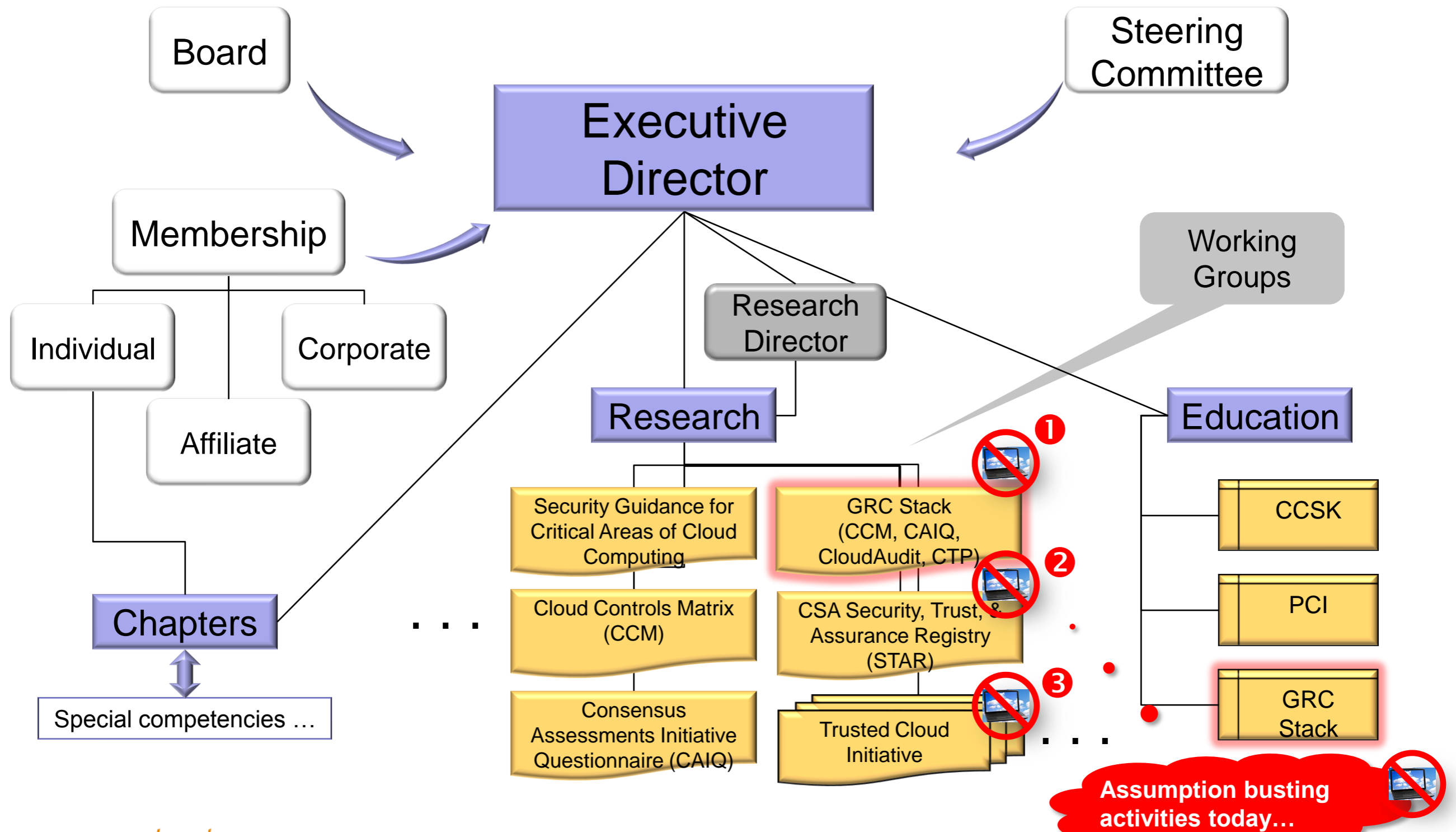
- *"There are too many alternatives and I don't know all the questions to ask (or answer)!"*

3 There is no template I can use to put all the necessary pieces together to create (or buy) a cloud service that is trusted enough for me

- *"I will never have the time or horsepower to go through all the steps or check all the circumstances of security for my cloud needs!"*

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CSA "Assumption Busting" Organization & Operation & Busting Actions

Board

Steering Committee

Executive Director

Membership

Working Groups

Individual

Corporate

Research Director

Affiliate

Research

Education

Chapters

Security Guidance for Critical Areas of Cloud Computing

GRC Stack (CCM, CAIQ, CloudAudit, CTP)

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CCSK

Cloud Controls Matrix (CCM)

CSA Security, Trust, & Assurance Registry (STAR)

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PCI

Special competencies …

Consensus Assessments Initiative Questionnaire (CAIQ)

Trusted Cloud Initiative

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GRC Stack

Assumption busting activities today…

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A Complete Cloud Security Governance, Risk, and Compliance (GRC) Stack

Delivering	← Stack Pack →	Description
Continuous monitoring … with a purpose	**CTP** Cloud Trust Protocol	• **Common technique and nomenclature to request and receive evidence and affirmation of current cloud service operating circumstances from cloud providers**
Claims, offers, and the basis for auditing service delivery	**Cloud Audit**	• **Common interface and namespace to automate the Audit, Assertion, Assessment, and Assurance (A6) of cloud environments**
Pre-audit checklists and questionnaires to inventory controls	**CAI** Consensus Assessments Initiative	• **Industry-accepted ways to document what security controls exist**
The recommended foundations for controls	**CCM** Cloud Controls Matrix	• **Fundamental security principles in specifying the overall security needs of a cloud consumers and assessing the overall security risk of a cloud provider**

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A Headstart for Control and Compliance
Forged by the Global Marketplace; Ready for All

Professional	Government		Commercial

Legend
- ■ In place
- ■ Offered

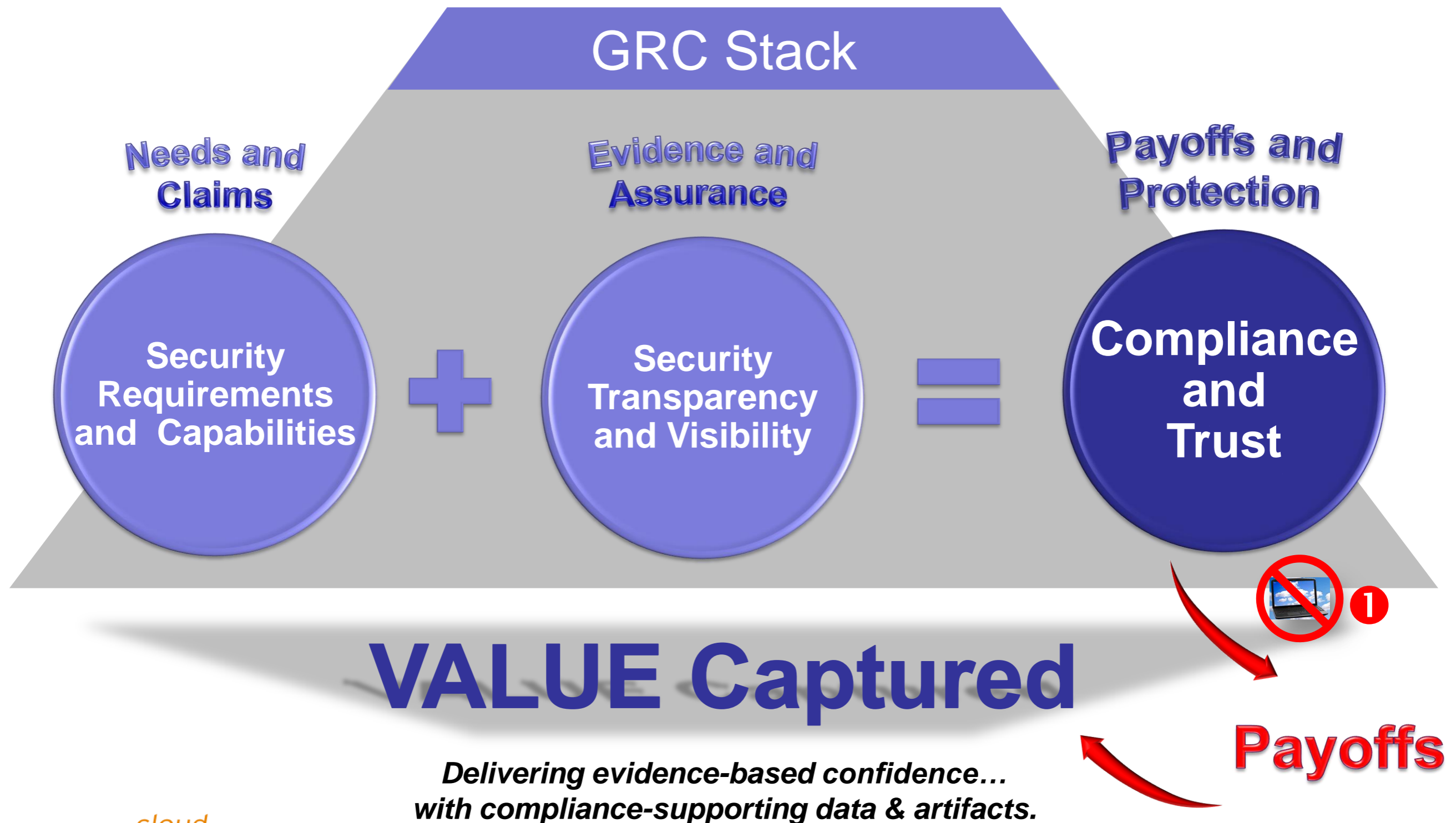|	Deliver "continuous monitoring" required by A&A methodologies	Continuous monitoring ... with a purpose	**CTP** Cloud Trust Protocol	• **Common technique and nomenclature to request and receive evidence and affirmation of controls from cloud providers**
???		Claims, offers, and the basis for auditing service delivery	**Cloud Audit**	• **Common interface and namespace to automate the Audit, Assertion, Assessment, and Assurance (A6) of cloud environments**
• **FedRAMP** • **DIACAP** • **Other C&A standards**	Pre-audit checklists and questionnaires to inventory controls		**CAI** Consensus Assessments Initiative	• **Industry-accepted ways to document what security controls exist**
SSAE SOC2 control assessment criteria	**NIST 800-53,** HITRUST CSF, ISO 27001/27002, ISACA COBIT, PCI, HIPAA, SOX, GLBA, STIG, NIST 800-144, SAS 70,...	A recommended foundations for controls	**CCM** Cloud Controls Matrix	• **Fundamental security principles in assessing the overall security risk of a cloud provider**

CSA GRC Value Equation for Consumers and Providers

CCM Cloud Controls Matrix

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- Individually useful
- Collectively powerful
- Productive way to reclaim end-to-end information risk management capability

What control requirements should I have as a cloud consumer or cloud provider?

CAI Consensus Assessments Initiative

How do I ask about the control requirements that are satisfied (consumer) or express my claim of control response (provider)?

Static claims & assurances

Cloud Audit

How do I announce and automate my claims of audit support for all of the various compliance mandates and control obligations?

CTP Cloud Trust Protocol

Dynamic (continuous) monitoring and transparency

How do I know that the controls I need are working for me now? How can I do the continuous trust monitoring (consumer)? How do I provide actual security and transparency of service to all of my cloud users (provider)?

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The GRC Stack
Solving the Value Equation in the Cloud

GRC Stack

Needs and Claims

Evidence and Assurance

Payoffs and Protection

Security Requirements and Capabilities

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Security Transparency and Visibility

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Compliance and Trust

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VALUE Captured

Payoffs

Delivering evidence-based confidence…
with compliance-supporting data & artifacts.

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GRC Stack Pack Combinations that Deliver a Payoff

GRC Stack Payoff Combinations					Other CSA Related	
CCM Cloud Controls Matrix	CAI Consensus Assessments Initiative	Cloud Audit	CTP Cloud Trust Protocol		CSA STAR Security, Trust & Assurance Registry	TCI
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Security, Trust, and Assurance Registry (CSA STAR)

- Encourage transparency of security practices within cloud providers

- Documents the security controls provided by various cloud computing offerings

- Free and open to all cloud providers

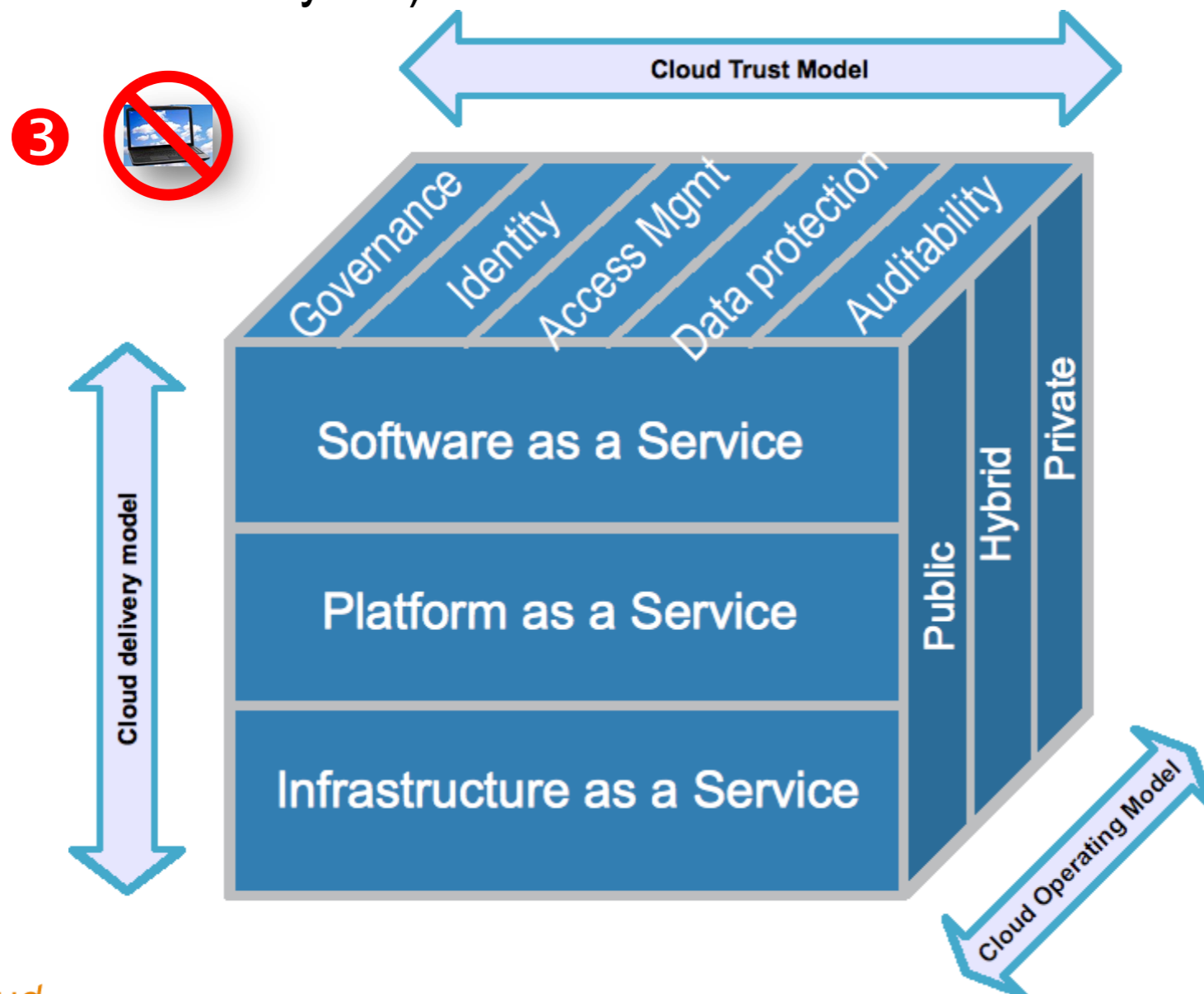- Option to use data/report based on CCM or the CAIQ

https://www.cloudsecurityalliance.org/star/

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Trusted Cloud Initiative (TCI)

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- CSA certification criteria and seal program for cloud providers

- Initial focus on secure & interoperable identity in the cloud, and its alignment with data encryption

- Assemble with existing standards

- Reference models & Proof of concept

- Outline responsibilities for Identity Providers, Enterprises, Cloud Providers, Consumers

- www.cloudsecurityalliance.org/trustedcloud.html

TCI Mission

"To create a Trusted Cloud reference architecture for cloud use cases that leverage cloud delivery models (SaaS, PaaS, IaaS) in the context of operational models (Public, Private, Hybrid) to deliver a secure and trusted cloud service"

What's Happening Now?

Research Work Groups Underway

- CCM update
- CAIQ update
- CloudAudit update
- CloudTrust Protocol update and integration into CSA GRC stack
- Trusted Cloud Initiative
- CloudSIRT
- Cloud data governance
- Cloud metrics
- Security as a service (SecaaS)

Education

- CCSK update
- GRC stack training
- PCI compliance in the cloud

More cloud security "assumption busting" activities

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